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November 2, 2005 9:48 PM

Representative Mark Foley U.S. House of Representatives 104 Cannon House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Foley:

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Senator Maria Cantwell U.S. Senate 717 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Senator John Kerry U.S. Senate 304 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Senator John Rockefeller U.S. Senate 531 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Representative Tim Murphy U.S. House of Representatives 322 Cannon House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-0001

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